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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CB (LON NON)

SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF FUNDS CARRIED BY MME. LON NON

REF: STATE 189799

1. EMBOFF QUERIED QUAI SEPTEMBER 24 ABOUT PRESS REPORTS THAT "SISTER-IN-LAW OF LON NOL" WAS CAUGHT TRYING TO TAKE \$170,000 OUT OF FRANCE IN TOY BEAR CARRIED BY HER DAUGHTER. QUAI SAID MME LON NON WAS BEARER OF ORDINARY (NOT DIPLOMATIC OR OFFICIAL) KHMER PASSPORT, AND HENCE QUAI WOULD PROBABLY PLAY NO ROLE IN THE AFFAIR. CUSTOMS HAD CONFISCATED FUNDS AS BEING ILLEGALLY EXPORTED, BUT MME. LON NON WAS GRANTED PERMISSION TO CONTINUE HER TRIP TO THE U.S. QUAI SAID THERE HAS AS YET BEEN NO DEMARCHE FROM GKR IN PHNOM PENH OR PARIS.

2. EMBOFF INFORMED QUAI SEPTEMBER 25 THAT HER HUSBAND, BGEN LON NON, WAS ARRIVING IN PARIS (REFTEL).

3. SON SANN TELEPHONED EMBOFF ABOUT ANOTHER MATTER, AND ASKED ABOUT STORY IN KHMER CIRCLES HERE THAT LON NON WAS COMING TO PARIS, AND THAT AFTER THE PROBLEM OF SEIZURE OF DOLLARS WAS SETTLED HE WOULD BE GOING TO PHNOM PENH RATHER THAN RETURNING TO US. EMBOFF SAID US UNDERSTOOD THAT LON NON WOULD
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BE RETURNING TO HIS COURSE IN THE US AS SOON AS PERSONAL MATTER RESOLVED HERE. SON SANN WAS RELIEVED THAT LON NON WOULD NOT BE RETURNING TO CAMBODIA.

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